RESOLUTION NO. 09-04

A RESOLUTION of the City of Richland adopting the Benton County Hazard Mitigation Plan.

WHEREAS, "Hazard Mitigation" means to permanently reduce or alleviate the losses of life, injuries and property resulting from natural and human-made hazards through long-term strategies; and

WHEREAS, there is a federal program entitled Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) that funds projects that will reduce or eliminate the effects or costs of natural and human-made hazards and vulnerability to future disaster damage from those hazards; and

WHEREAS, new regulations administered by the Federal Emergency
Management Agency (FEMA), require that each county, city or town have an
approved Hazard Mitigation Plan in order to be eligible for post-disaster financial
assistance in the event of a presidential disaster declaration as well as other
ongoing FEMA hazard mitigation grants; and

WHEREAS, Benton County has already received a grant to prepare a Hazard Mitigation Plan and HDR Engineering was hired to develop this plan; and WHEREAS, this plan must be adopted by those cities that reside within Benton County,

WHEREAS, Section 1-Hazard Mitigation Approach and Section 5-City of Richland Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan of this plan must be adopted by the City of Richland prior to submittal to the state and federal agencies for review.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Richland that the Benton County Hazard Mitigation Plan Section 1 and Section 5 prepared by HDR Engineering is hereby adopted.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall take effect immediately.

ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Richland at a regular meeting this 17th day of February 2004.

ROBERT WELCH

Mayor

ATTEST:

KENNETH R. BAYS

City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

THOMAS O. LAMPSON

City Attorney